# **Highlights**

## Refinery Activity (Million Barrels per Day)

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	Four Weeks Ending		
	04/28/00	04/21/00	04/28/99
Crude Oil Input to Refineries	. 15.1	15.0	15.0
Refinery Capacity Utilization (Percent).	. 91.8	91.6	94.1
Motor Gasoline Production	. 8.2	8.3	8.0
Distillate Fuel Oil Production	. 3.6	3.5	3.4
See Table 2.			

Refinery operable capacity utilization for the 4 weeks ending April 28, 2000, was 2 percent below last year's rate. This week's operable capacity utilization rate was 93.1 percent. The 4 week average for motor gasoline production was 3 percent above last year's level and distillate fuel oil production was 6 percent above.

#### **Stocks** (Million Barrels)

	Week Ending		
	04/28/00	04/21/00	04/28/99
Crude Oil (Excluding SPR)	304.1	307.4	330.4
Motor Gasoline	202.5	200.7	216.1
Distillate Fuel Oil	96.4	93.7	125.4
All Other Oils	319.1	314.3	370.4
Crude Oil in SPR*	569.4	569.4	572.4
Total**	1,491.5	1,485.5	1,614.7
See Table 3.			

Crude oil stocks were 3.3 MMB lower than last week's level. Motor gasoline stocks were 1.8 MMB higher than last week's level. The current 202.5 MMB includes reformulated gasoline stocks of 40.8 MMB, but excludes oxygenate stocks of MTBE and fuel ethanol. At the end of March, they were about 8.9 MMB and 3.9 MMB, respectively. Distillate stocks were 2.7 MMB higher than last week's level. They are 29.0 MMB below last year's level, and are below the lower bound of the average range.

## Net Imports (Million Barrels per Day)

	Four Weeks Ending		
	04/28/00	04/21/00	04/28/99
Crude Oil	9.1	9.2	8.7
Petroleum Products	1.1	0.9	1.3
Total <sup>**</sup>	10.1	10.1	10.0
See Table 1.			

Net imports of crude oil and petroleum products during the 4 weeks ending April 28, 2000 were slightly higher than the levels for the same period last year.

#### **Products Supplied** (Million Barrels per Day)

	Four Weeks Ending		
	04/28/00	04/21/00	04/28/99
Motor Gasoline	8.5	8.4	8.4
Distillate Fuel Oil	3.6	3.7	3.4
All Other Products	6.8	6.8	7.1
Total**	19.0	19.0	18.9
See Table 9.			

Over the past four weeks, motor gasoline product supplied was nearly 2 percent above last year's level, and distillate fuel oil product supplied was 6 percent above.

# Prices (Cents per Gallon except as noted)

	Week Ending	g
04/28/00	04/21/00	04/30/99
World Crude Oil	23.12	15.87
Spot Prices		
WTI Crude Oil - Cushing		
(Dollars per Barrel) 25.71	NA	18.69
Conv. Regular Gasoline - NYH 74.95	NA	52.65
RFG Regular - NYH 80.90	NA	54.83
No. 2 Heating Oil - NYH 73.75	NA	45.53
No. 2 Low-sulfur Diesel Fuel - NYH 69.60	NA	47.08
Kerosene-Type Jet - NYH 75.00	NA	46.88
Residual Fuel - NYH 52.69	NA	33.64
Propane - Mont Belvieu 46.50	NA	30.00
05/01/00	04/24/00	05/03/99
Retail Prices		
Motor Gasoline - Regular 142.0	143.7	113.6
Conventional Areas 137.7	139.8	109.8
Oxygenated Areas 144.2	144.4	123.0
OPRG Areas 151.7	153.1	116.6
RFG Areas 152.2	153.2	123.2
On-Highway Diesel Fuel 141.8	142.8	107.8
Source:Reuters Ltd.		
See Tables 12-14 and 16.		

The average world crude oil price on April 28, 2000 was \$23.67 per barrel, up \$0.55 from the previous week and \$7.80 more than last year. WTI was \$25.71 per barrel on April 28, 2000, \$7.02 more than last year. The spot price for conventional gasoline in the New York Harbor was 74.95 cents per gallon, up 22.30 cents from last year. The spot price for diesel fuel in the New York Harbor on April 28, 2000 was 69.60 cents per gallon, up 22.52 cents from last year.

On May 1, 2000, the national average retail regular gasoline price was 142.0 cents per gallon, down 1.7 cent from last week but 28.4 cents higher than a year ago. The national average retail diesel fuel price was 141.8 cents per gallon on May 1, 2000, down 1.0 cent from last week but 34.0 cents higher than last year.

<sup>\*</sup> Crude oil stocks in the SPR include non-U.S. stocks held under foreign or commercial storage agreements.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Data may not add to total due to independent rounding.